

**BOTSWANA NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

**NOTICE                      P A P E R**

**(THURSDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL, 2026)**

**NOTICE OF QUESTIONS**

**(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON THURSDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2026)**

1. **MR. P. M. MOSANANA, MP. (KANYE EAST):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to explain: **(430)**
  - (i) why majority of district councils' vacancies are filled through internal advertisements;
  - (ii) what quota, if any, is allocated for the interns and Tirelo Sechaba participants, given that individuals not registered in the councils' employment database have extremely limited chances of applying; and
  - (iii) measures in place to ensure that these young professionals are not unfairly excluded from accessing council employment opportunities.
  
2. **MR. O. KWAPA, MP. (JWANENG-MABUTSANE):** To ask the Minister of Labour and Home Affairs whether there is any law which binds certain businesses to transport their staff members at night when they are going to and coming from work especially when public transport is not available. **(431)**
  
3. **MR. D. SALESHANDO, MP. (MAUN NORTH):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security why the Sovereign Wealth Fund is managed under his Ministry and not the Ministry of Finance which has the requisite staff competencies to oversee the nation's long-term financial investments; he should further state: **(432)**
  - (i) how the board members of the Sovereign Fund were selected;
  - (ii) how the Chief Executive Officer of the Sovereign Fund was selected;
  - (iii) how much has been invested in the fund up to date and how the fund will be further capitalised; and
  - (iv) the applicable law under which the fund has been established.

4. **MR. G. KEKGONEGILE, MP. (MAUN EAST):** To ask the Minister of Lands and Agriculture to brief this Honourable House on the vastness of the land applicable for utilisation by the Somelo community in terms of cattle post, ploughing fields and residential plots allocation; with emphasis on: **(433)**
- (i) the total measurements of the farm bought for use by the Somelo community and measurements of land currently under Somelo community use;
  - (ii) correction measures in place if amount usage is less than the total area covering allocated and planned residential and business plots and ploughing fields; and
  - (iii) what is the difference in measurement between the allocated area and that not allocated.
5. **MR. T. B. LUCAS, MP. (BOBIRWA):** To ask the Minister of Minerals and Energy if she would consider the following in respect of electricity charges: **(434)**
- (i) reducing the cost of connecting electricity in ploughing fields;
  - (ii) doing away or reforming the maximum demand charge for big businesses;
  - (iii) developing guidelines for installing roof top solar in public buildings;
  - (iv) training of solar power installers; and
  - (v) reducing the cost of electricity to individual consumers.
6. **MR. T. FURNITURE, MP. (TATI EAST):** To ask the Minister for State President, Defence and Security: **(435)**
- (i) to state the number of retired officers who have been appointed on contracts by Government since January 2024 and their salary scales;
  - (ii) to specify the length of contracts;
  - (iii) what special skills they possess; and
  - (iv) why other officers cannot be promoted/recruited instead of appointing officers on contracts.

7. **MR. M. M. PULE, MP. (KGATLENG EAST):** To ask the Minister of Finance to state measures in place to ensure that Government supply tenders benefit a wider range of citizens rather than being repeatedly awarded to a few established suppliers; and further state: (436)
- (i) how compliance with citizen participation and local content requirements is monitored and enforced; and
  - (ii) what specific initiatives exist to enable new and emerging supply companies to access Government contracts.
8. **MR. S. O. MAPULANGA, MP. (CHOBE):** To ask the Minister of Sport and Arts to apprise this Honourable House on the financial support his Ministry has rendered to the Botswana World Relays Committee; and further: (437)
- (i) to provide a breakdown of the envisaged expenditure of the finances given to the Botswana World Relays Committee; and
  - (ii) to state the anticipated impact of his Ministry's financial support.
9. **BRIGADIER D. MOKGWATHI, MP. (LETLHAKENG):** To ask the Minister of Environment and Tourism to apprise this Honourable House on the short and long term measures on: (438)
- (i) the preservation of indigenous plants, *motshiha*, *khyara*, *mositsana* and *leruswa*; and
  - (ii) culture preservation based on oral history of the Letlhakeng District.
10. **MR. M. M. MOROLONG, MP. (KGATLENG CENTRAL):** To ask the Minister of Local Government and Traditional Affairs to brief this Honourable House on the comparative rate of performance by local authorities and what factors contribute to poor service delivery and development outcomes. (439)
11. **DR. U. DOW, MP. (KGATLENG WEST):** To ask the Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship to state: (440)
- (i) the various licenses under which a trader or business can sell alcohol;
  - (ii) the key requirements for each type of license; and
  - (iii) conditions under which a trader can sell the alcoholic beverage commonly known as Chibuku.

## **NOTICE OF PRESENTATION OF GOVERNMENT BILLS**

**(FOR TUESDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2026)**

1. Income Tax Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 36 of 2025) An Act to make provision for the charge, assessment, collection and administration of income tax; and for matters incidental thereto.

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(Minister of Finance)

2. Customs (Amendment) Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 37 of 2025) An Act to amend the Customs Act.

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(Minister of Finance)

3. Tax Administration Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 38 of 2025) An Act to harmonise, modernise, and consolidate the rules and procedures for the administration of the tax laws and matters connected thereto.

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(Minister of Finance)

4. Value Added Tax Bill, 2025 (Bill No. 39 of 2025) An Act to re-enact the Value Added Tax Act with amendments to provide for the imposition and collection of value added tax; and for matters connected thereto.

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(Minister of Finance)

## **NOTICE OF MINISTERS' QUESTION TIME**

**(FOR ORAL ANSWER ON FRIDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2026)**

1. Minister of Minerals and Energy

**THEME: ACQUISITION OF CONTROLLING STAKE IN DE BEERS BY BOTSWANA GOVERNMENT**

(Mr. D. Saleshando, MP. – Maun North)

2. Minister of Trade and Entrepreneurship

**THEME: CEDA FUNDING**

(Mr. G. Lekau, MP. – Mogoditshane West)